

I commute over 100 miles per day to and from Baltimore, MD on a VERY traveled highway. I bought XM radio for the traffic reports alone. Before XM radio I had to wait 30 minutes to hear the next traffic report which many times resulted in being tied up in traffic from an accident for 45 minutes to an HOUR. I was late for work almost EVERY day. The XM traffic report is up to the minute all of the time. It has allowed me to avoid major delays at least 3 times per week and not only make it to work on time, but also to make it home in time to pick up my son before the daycare closes. I simply could not think of going back to my commute without my XM traffic report. I respectfully urge you to reject the NAB's petition 04-160. I cannot get this sort of service through public radio and the quality of my day relies on the XM traffic report. I feel it is unfair to take this service away from those of us who have grown so dependant upon it.